
HOUSE BILL No. 1534

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-13-2-125; IC 9-18.

Synopsis: Identifiers on license plates. Requires that letters on license plates that are a part of the registration identifier be the same size as the numbers that are a part of the registration identifier.

Effective: January 1, 2002.

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January 11, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-13-2-125 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 125.
3 "Personalized license plate" means a license plate that displays the
4 registration number assigned to the vehicle and issued in a combination
5 of letters or numbers, or both, **of the same size**, requested by the owner
6 or the lessee of the vehicle.
- 7 SECTION 2. IC 9-18-2-32 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
8 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 32. (a) Except as
9 provided in subsection (b), a license plate issued under section 30 of
10 this chapter:
- 11 (1) must be six (6) inches wide and twelve (12) inches long;
12 (2) must display:
13 (A) the registration number assigned to the vehicle for which
14 the plate is issued;
15 (B) the letters "IN"; and
16 (C) the year for which the plate is issued;
17 (3) may have a prefix of at least one (1) letter of the alphabet **of**



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1 **the same size as the registration number** to designate the type
2 of vehicle registered; and

3 (4) shall be treated with special reflective material designed to
4 increase the visibility and legibility of the license plate.

5 (b) The bureau may issue license plates in a different size or
6 character if the bureau determines that the change is appropriate to
7 effect the proper display of the license plates.

8 SECTION 3. IC 9-18-15-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
9 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002]: Sec. 2. (a) A
10 personalized license plate may be the same color and size and contain
11 similar required information as regular license plates issued for the
12 respective class of vehicle.

13 (b) A personalized license plate is limited to the:

14 (1) numerals 0 through 9; or

15 (2) letters A through Z, **which must be the same size as the**
16 **numbers;**

17 in a continuous combination of numbers and letters with at least two
18 (2) positions.

19 (c) A personalized license plate may not be issued to duplicate a
20 regularly issued plate.

21 (d) Only one (1) personalized plate, without regard to classification
22 of registration, may be issued by the bureau with the same
23 configuration of numbers and letters.

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